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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2002 (Paper No. 9), finally rejecting claim 7 and allowing claim 1-6, please amend the above-identified U.S. Patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the last paragraph at line 24, page 1 of the Specification with the following replacement paragraph:

--Commonly, the elements have a frame provided with co-ordinated through holes forming inlet and outlet manifolds for the two electrolytes that are circulated in a parallel mode through the positive electrolyte flow chambers and the negative electrolyte flow chambers, respectively.--

Please replace the last paragraph at line 24, page 1 of the Specification with the following replacement paragraph:

--On the other hand, the redox system require non-negligible electrolyte flow rates through the